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**FORMER PARK CITY MINISTER PLEADS GUILTY TO POSSESSION AND  
DISTRIBUTION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

LOUISVILLE, KY - David E. Meadows, age 52, of 100 Mammoth Cave Avenue, Park City, Kentucky, in Barren County, pled guilty to possessing and distributing child pornography, announced David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky.

The maximum potential penalties are no less than 5 years and no more than 30 years imprisonment, a \$500,000 fine, and supervised release for life.

Meadows, the former Minister with the United Methodist Church in Park City, admitted that on April 17, 2006 he knowingly distributed child pornography by computer, and that on October 4, 2006, he knowingly possessed child pornography. On October 4, 2006, the Federal Bureau of Investigation executed a search warrant on Meadows' residence, the Church parsonage, and found images and videos of child pornography on Meadows' computer, pictures of child pornography in Meadows' desk, and discs containing additional videos of child pornography in Meadows' bedroom. Among the pornography was an under-ten girl performing oral sex on an adult man, numerous images of girls under the age of 12 being raped by adult males, one young girl under 8 being raped by an adult male, and two videos of various young girls under 12 being raped by an adult male.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney David Weiser and was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation .

The plea was entered before Joseph H. McKinley, Jr., Judge, United States District Court, Bowling Green, Kentucky. Meadows was immediately incarcerated following his plea.

Meadows is scheduled to be sentenced before Judge McKinley on June 12, 2007, at 9:00 a.m., in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood. In February 2006, Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales created Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys Offices, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit [www.projectsafechildhood.gov/](http://www.projectsafechildhood.gov/).

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